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COMING EVENTS

Aug. 20-Sept 6	Campout	Warwick Ranch	Williams, Oregon
Sept 11-12	Open Jam on Sunday	Applegate Fall Festival	Crow, Oregon
Sept 11	Contest	Kootenai County Fair	Coeur D'Alene, Ida
Sept 18	Jam Session	Merrill Grange	Merrill, Oregon
Sept 18	Dist. 4 for details	Talent Harvest Festival	Talent, Oregon
Sept 19	Jam Session	Senior Citizens Center	Salem, Oregon
Sept 24	7:00 PM	Linn County Fairgrounds	Albany, Oregon
Sept 25-26	Jam Session	Ocean Crest School	Bandon, Oregon
Sept 25	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Naselle, Wn.
Sept 26	Jam Session	Elks Lodge	Sweet Home, Oregon
Oct. 3	Jam Session	Womens Club House	Ashland, Oregon
Oct. 10	Jam Session	Warner Grange	Canby, Oregon

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to thank everyone for helping at the County Fairs and at the other events we have had this summer. We have had a very successful, busy and profitable year. We still have one more Fair, which will be in Albany at the Linn County Fairgrounds. This is the first time we have been asked to play here, so let's give them a good show. June and I are getting ready for Canyonville and then on to the Campout. We are looking forward to a lot of fun there. Thanks to Red and Martha for being such great hosts.

Jim Secor

DRAIN CONTEST RESULTS

<u>Juniors</u>	<u>Seniors</u>	<u>Intermediates</u>	<u>Open</u>
1. Grant Wheeler	Clarence Greenlund	LeRoy Sim	Loretta Brank
2. Tiffany Wheeler	Van Southwood	Warren Baker	Guy Kinman
3.	Clarence Davis	Bob Fast	Johny McDonald
4.	Julian Christiani	Kenneth Brank	Carol Wheeler

Following are partial results from the Canyonville Contest that was held Aug. 29th.

<u>Open</u>	<u>Intermediates</u>	<u>Juniors</u>	<u>Seniors</u>
1. Connie Bonar	Guy Kinman	Cynthia Bartlett	Hugh Samples
2. Loretta Brank			
3. Bill Yohey			
4. Carol Wheeler			
5. Fred Virtue			

Wayne Holmes received a very nice letter from the Eugene Downtown Association expressing their sincere appreciation for our participation in their Pioneer Days promotion. John Perry, Mall Manager wrote "The Old Time Fiddlers were a most enjoyable addition to the whole event."

Glenn Mason, Director, sent a thankyou for the \$750.00 that was donated by the OOTFA for the research project that Linda Danielson is in charge of. Mr. Mason

stated that the project is progressing nicely and that the results should be very informative and entertaining. Also that we should be assured that the OOTFA will be credited for their support whenever possible.

4th Annual
KOOTENAI COUNTY FAIR FIDDLE CONTEST

Saturday, September 11, 1976 at the Kootenai County Fair Stadium Two miles north of Coeur d'Alene on old Highway 95.

PRIZES: 1st \$200, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$100, 4th \$75, 5th \$50, 6th \$50, 7th \$50, 8th \$25, 9th \$25, 10th \$25. JUDGES: Jim Ropp, Aaron Lowe and Archie Turner. Signing up will start at 8:00 A.M.

ENTRY FEES: Fiddler - \$5.00, Accompanist - 0. There will be no entry fee for Fiddlers dressed completely in Red, White and Blue!!!!!! Other Prizes: \$25.00 to Fiddler dressed in Bi-Centennial Outfit (Judged by audience). \$25.00- Average Junior Fiddler and \$25.00- Average Lady Fiddler.

PRELIMINARIES start at 9:00 AM. Champion Play Off and Variety Show - 2:00 PM.

Other Features - Singing - Pickin' - Blue Grass - Honky Tonk Piano

It's Festival Time again so come to do your darnedest...Your style. Our theme is Bi-Centennial this year and we will appreciate all the Red, White and Blues we can get!! We've had nothing but Good Reports on our past shows from the Fair Board and spectators. Thanks to all. We're growing each year from your efforts and participation. So come on back... Bring your friends....

Sincerely, Marge & Don Wiles

Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association Board Meeting
Cottage Grove, Oregon July 11, 1976

- District #1 -- Less Tucker
- District #5 -- Paul Williams and Les McLeod
- District #4 -- Fred Samples
- District #6 -- Jim O'Bryant
- District #7 -- Bob Fast
- District #8 -- Carlton Smith and Gus Pearson

The meeting was called to order by the president Jim Secor. Minutes were read and approved. Treasurers report- \$4319.72 on hand.

The shows the association plays for were discussed. Everyone was urged to help at these.

It was recommended and agreed that the State Contest be held in Bend again next year. Jim read a complimentary letter from the Bend Chamber of Commerce.

There was a discussion of Dues. It was decided they would be full price whenever paid. Our Year starts January 1.

A discussion on Board meetings and expense payments. This is up to the District. The next Directors meeting will be held at the Warwick Campout.

A motion was made by Carlton Smith, seconded by Paul Williams that the entry fee for Junior contestants be eliminated and if possible there should be prizes for all entrants. Passed.

A motion was made by Paul Williams, seconded by Jim O'Bryant that there be no entry fee to any paid up member at the State contest. Approved.

Fred Samples said Al Testor is caring for the state P.A. set.

Jim asked everyone to cooperate with the coordinator, Hoedowner Editor, Evelyn Walter, so we can avoid conflicting dates.

Delores Lakey announced the rodeo grounds at Yoncalla are available to the Fiddlers.

Fred Samples made a motion that we adjourn, seconded by Les McLeod.

Meeting adjourned.

Edna Yohey, Secretary

DISTRICT 1

Our district has been busy this past month. July 31, we played at Bonanza in the parade and afterwards at the park. On Aug. 7th, we rode in the parade at Chiloquin at their fair. Our efforts were rewarded with a 1st prize trophy of which we are quite proud.

Aug. 14th we had our monthly potluck and business meeting get-together. We had some guests from District 4 and also from Dunsmuir, Ca. We had a nice evening and a great time. Aug. 15th we played for 2 nursing homes in Klamath Falls. This has come to be a monthly project and we all feel it's such a good cause that we have a good turnout of musicians each time. These people seem to enjoy the fiddling so much. Next meeting and get-together is Sept. 18th, potluck at 7:00 PM, Merrill Rec Center, Merrill, Ore.

See you there! Lee Eddy, Reporter

DISTRICT 4

We got the campground and road ready today with the help of several who came out to help. We finished up tonight with a nice potluck and music this evening.

There was a small group of fiddlers from several districts and Mr. Skeio from Calif. at the Curry County Fair in Gold Beach. They played to a packed house and all had fun.

District 4 fiddlers have spent the summer fishing along with filling all the requests for fiddlers. Sept. 18th will be our annual trip to the Talent Harvest Festival. Those riding in the parade please contact Jonas Cox. After the fiddlers play at the festival, everyone is invited to Jonas & Marg Cox's home. Bring finger food for a buffet.

The 3rd of October will be our usual jam session, potluck and meeting at 11:30 with the hall open to the public at 1:00 for our program. The jam session will be held in Ashland. The exact address is The Womens Club House, 59 Winburg Way on the plaza next to the American Legion Hall.

November Jam session will be in Wimer at the Wimer Grange where we always meet, exact date later. December will bring us all together at our Annual Christmas Party in Jerome Prairie Hall in Grants Pass. Everyone bring your ideas to the October meeting where we'll plan for it. With plans for the rest of 1976 so full, it tells us 1977 will be even a greater year in fiddling if possible.

Martha Warwick, Reporter

DISTRICT 5

The next get-together of our district begins on Saturday, Sept 25th with a jam in the evening at the Bandon VFW hall. On Sunday the 26th there will be a potluck and jam at the Ocean Crest School in Bandon.

In spite of the rain at Reedsport on Aug. 14th, we had a good turnout for the potluck, jam and dance. Several accompanists and fiddlers came. If it weren't for these good people the jam sessions wouldn't turn out. Thanks to everyone for the help.

Geri Virtue, Reporter

DISTRICT 6

The fiddlers and accompanists played in the Eugene Mall July 13th. The show was very well put together and a large audience showed their appreciation.

Lawrence A. "Pop" Powers died at his home Aug. 7th at the age of Eighty five. He claimed he made his first fiddle out of a cigar box when he was 8 years old. "Pop" was well known and liked throughout the Eugene area.

David Boyd, Reporter

DISTRICT 7

Our district has been very busy this summer, several fairs, logging festival in Estacada, playing at the Lloyd Center Mall and Washington Park. We were rained out again this year but one of our members has perserverance and braved the storm to give a private recital to about 85 persons that showed up to hear the Oregon Old

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Time Fiddlers. Good Show, Charlie Johnson.

Our next jam session will be at the Warner Grange, which is on the old Hwy 99 just north of Canby. Doors open at 10:00 Potluck at noon, playing to start at 1:00. Date is October 10th.

Fred Hildebrandt, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

Lots going on this month. Some fiddlers and accompanists from District 7 & 8 played for the Trade Fair in Newberg on Aug. 7th, Aug. 13th at the Masonic Home in Forest Grove and in the Silverton Parade on Aug. 14th. Gus Pearson and Carlton Smith played for AARP Picnic in Dalles on Aug. 10 and the Senior Citizens Potluck dinner on Aug. 19th at Willamina. Our N. Howell Grange jam session was lots of fun. Nice big hall, thanks to Dave and Jeanette Robinson for the arrangements. There was a misprint as to our next jam session. It will be at the Senior Citizens Center in Salem on Sept. 19th. Another new area so let's all turn out. Go north or south to Market St., west to Capital, Right on Capital to Erixon. See you all at the Firs or campout. Thanks to all the Fiddlers for all the summer events.

Bea Smith, Reporter

We received a note from Minnie Bennett, our Historian saying she was sorry that another month had gotten by without a Biography, but she is running out of stories. Everyone has been urged to send her their life story. We hope all of you will cooperate and get your history in to her, we would like a story here next month.

Evelyn Walter, Editor

There will be an art show at the Salem Civic Center for one month beginning Sept. 10 thru Oct. 10. They would like the performing arts to participate. Anyone interested in playing, please contact Barb Phillips, 365 Riral Ave., Salem, Or 97302
Phone: 581-5184

Bill Yohey, present State Champion, will be performing at the State Fair on Sunday September 5th as a feature fiddler with the Tall Timbers from Seattle and the Saw Tooth Mountain Boys. Both groups are very well known Blue Grass bands.